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## Patents Act 1977 : Search Report under Section 17

### Documents considered to be relevant:

Category	Relevant to claims	Identity of document and passage or figure of particular relevance	
X	1 - 3, 5 - 7, 10, 11	US 5733102 A	(General Electric) See figures 1 and 2 and line 36 of column 3 - line 42 of column. 4. Document discloses a fan blade 16 featuring gallery 34 with release passages 46 upstream of flow entrainment means 42a.
X	1-3, 5, 6, 10, 11	US 5695321 A	(General Electric) See figure 1 and lines 16 - 33 of column 4. Document discloses a blade 10 featuring a coolant gallery 32 with release passages 36 upstream of entrainment means, said passages extending to the blade tip.
X	1 - 3, 5, 6, 10, 11	US 5503529 A	(General Electric) See figures 1 and 3 and lines 20 - 35 of column 4. Document discloses a blade 10 featuring a cooling gallery 34 featuring release passages 16 mounted upstream of entrainment means, said passages and means extending to the blade tip.

### Categories:

X	Document indicating lack of novelty or inventive step	A	Document indicating technological background and/or state of the art.
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### Field of Search:

Search of GB, EP, WO & US patent documents classified in the following areas of the UKC<sup>v</sup>:

F1V

Worldwide search of patent documents classified in the following areas of the IPC<sup>7</sup>:

F01D

The following online and other databases have been used in the preparation of this search report:

Online: EPODOC, WPI, PAJ, OPTICS